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Friday, the 22nd November 1935/6th Vrischikam, 1111.

The Council met in the Victoria Jubilee Town Hall at Eleven of the Clock, with Khan Bahadur Nawab Sir Muhammad Habibullah Sahib Bahadur, K. C. S. I., K. C. I. E., Kt. LL. D., Dewan-President, in the Chair.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Technical course in the S. M. V. School, Trivandrum.

26. ***Mr. K. N. Kesavan Namputiripad** (*Jemmies*) : Will the Government be pleased to give the reason for the delay in starting the technical course in the S. M. V. School, Trivandrum, for which provision has been made in the current year's budget?

Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*) : Some time was necessary for working out the details of the scheme. Orders have been issued for starting the course immediately in the Sri Mula Vilasom School, Trivandrum.

Mr. K. N. Kesavan Namputiripad : May I know the probable date on which the course will be started?

Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan : It has already been opened.

Mr. K. N. Kesavan Namputiripad : Have the students been selected?

Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan : Yes, Sir. The course has actually begun.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai (*Municipal Councils*) : How many students have been admitted ?

Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan : Twenty.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai : May I know whether there is any guarantee of appointment for these students ?

Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan : No, Sir.

Alleppey-Changanachery canal.

27. ***Mr. K. N. Kesavan Namputiripad** : Will the Government be pleased to state whether there is any idea to complete the Alleppey-Changanachery canal in the near future ?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*) : The matter is under consideration.

Mr. K. N. Kesavan Namputiripad : Do the Government realise that there is real necessity for the canal ?

President : The answer says that the matter is under consideration. The consideration not having terminated, it is not possible for the Government member to give a definite answer to the supplementary question.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai : What is the total length of the canal ?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott : 18 miles, I think.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai : May I know the extent that has been completed ?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott : 2 portions, 2,501 feet and 1,575 feet in length, connecting the adjoining *kayala* and rivers, have been completed.

Mr. K. Padmanabha Panickar (*Ambalapuzha*) : What is the portion that has yet to be done ?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott : About 7,300 feet.

Mr. S. Piraviperumal Pillai (*Commerce and Industry, South*) : Why was it not completed last year ?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott : Government wanted the ryots to give the land required for the purpose free of cost, but the ryots refused to do so.

Mr. S. Piraviperumal Pillai : When was the work suspended ?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott : In 1106.

Mr. S. Piraviperumal Pillai : Are we to take it that, if the ryots refuse to give the land free of compensation, the money hitherto spent should be treated as waste ?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott : Presumably, yes.

Mr. Komilezhathu Sankaran (*Nominated*) : Have the Government been maintaining the completed portion of the canal ?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott : No.